

Senate File 2083 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3013)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning licensure requirements for dietetics as
2 established or approved by the academy of nutrition and
3 dietetics.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 152A.2, subsection 1, Code 2014, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. An applicant shall be issued a license to practice
4 dietetics by the board when the applicant satisfies all of the
5 following:

6 a. Possesses a baccalaureate degree or postbaccalaureate
7 degree with a major course of study in human nutrition, food
8 and nutrition, dietetics, or food systems management, or
9 in an equivalent major course of study which meets minimum
10 academic requirements as established by the ~~American dietetic~~
11 ~~association~~ accreditation council for education in nutrition
12 and dietetics of the academy of nutrition and dietetics and
13 approved by the board.

14 b. ~~Completes an internship or preplanned professional~~
15 ~~experience program~~ accredited competency-based supervised
16 experience program approved by the ~~American dietetic~~
17 ~~association~~ accreditation council for education in nutrition
18 and dietetics of the academy of nutrition and dietetics and
19 approved by the board.

20 c. Satisfactorily completes ~~an~~ the commission on dietetic
21 registration of the academy of nutrition and dietetics
22 ~~examination designed~~ approved by the board.

23 Sec. 2. Section 152A.3, subsection 2, Code 2014, is amended
24 to read as follows:

25 2. Dietetics students who engage in clinical practice under
26 the supervision of a dietitian as part of a dietetic education
27 program ~~approved or accredited by the American dietetic~~
28 ~~association~~ or a competency-based supervised experience
29 program approved by the accreditation council for education
30 in nutrition and dietetics of the academy of nutrition and
31 dietetics.

32 Sec. 3. Section 152A.3, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code
33 2014, is amended to read as follows:

34 b. Conducting a teaching clinical demonstration in
35 connection with a program of basic clinical education, graduate

1 education, or postgraduate education which is sponsored by
2 a dietetic education program or ~~accredited by the American~~
3 ~~dietetic association and carried out in an educational~~
4 ~~institution or its affiliated clinical facility or health~~
5 ~~care agency, or before a group of licensed dietitians a~~
6 competency-based supervised experience program approved by the
7 accreditation council for education in nutrition and dietetics
8 of the academy of nutrition and dietetics.

9 EXPLANATION

10 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
11 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

12 This bill relates to licensure requirements for dietetics.
13 The bill changes references from the American dietetic
14 association to the academy of nutrition and dietetics to
15 reflect the association's name change. The bill also specifies
16 that the accreditation council for education in nutrition
17 and dietetics is the credentialing agency within the academy
18 of nutrition and dietetics. Further, the bill states that
19 a dietitian, to obtain licensure in Iowa, must complete an
20 examination approved by both the academy of nutrition and
21 dietetics and the board of dietetics rather than just the
22 board. The bill allows an exemption from licensure for
23 dietetic students engaged in a competency-based supervised
24 experience program approved by the academy of nutrition
25 and dietetics and for dietitians conducting a teaching
26 demonstration in connection with clinical education sponsored
27 by a competency-based supervised experience program, rather
28 than just a dietetic education program.